

REPORT on the  
HYDRAULIC LAKE URANIUM PROPERTY  
KELOWNA AREA, BRITISH COLUMBIA  
for Tye Lake Resources Ltd.  
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Dear Mr. Ogata:

I am pleased to submit herewith my report concerning your Hydraulic Lake uranium property which is situated about 14 air miles east of Kelowna in southern British Columbia.

In my opinion, your property deserves careful and continued exploration. Access is easy. Good paved and gravel roads pass through the centre of the claim groups; these lead from Kelowna to the west about 18 miles. Ground exploration can, therefore, be conducted inexpensively.

The property offers excellent possibilities to discover economic zones of uranium mineralization as either extensions of known flat-lying sedimentary deposits in adjacent ground or, alternatively, to discover other similar uranium deposits not now known. Radioactive discoveries so far in the area have been composed of secondary minerals (mostly autunite) and uraninite. By comparison with producing mines, it is not anticipated that any metallurgical problems will be encountered.

We believe that these uranium discoveries are the first of their kind in British Columbia.

My recommendations are that the sum of \$30,700 be provided, as soon as may be arranged, to cover the cost of the first phase of exploration.

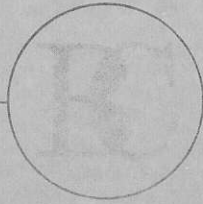
Your confidence in entrusting this study to our appraisal is appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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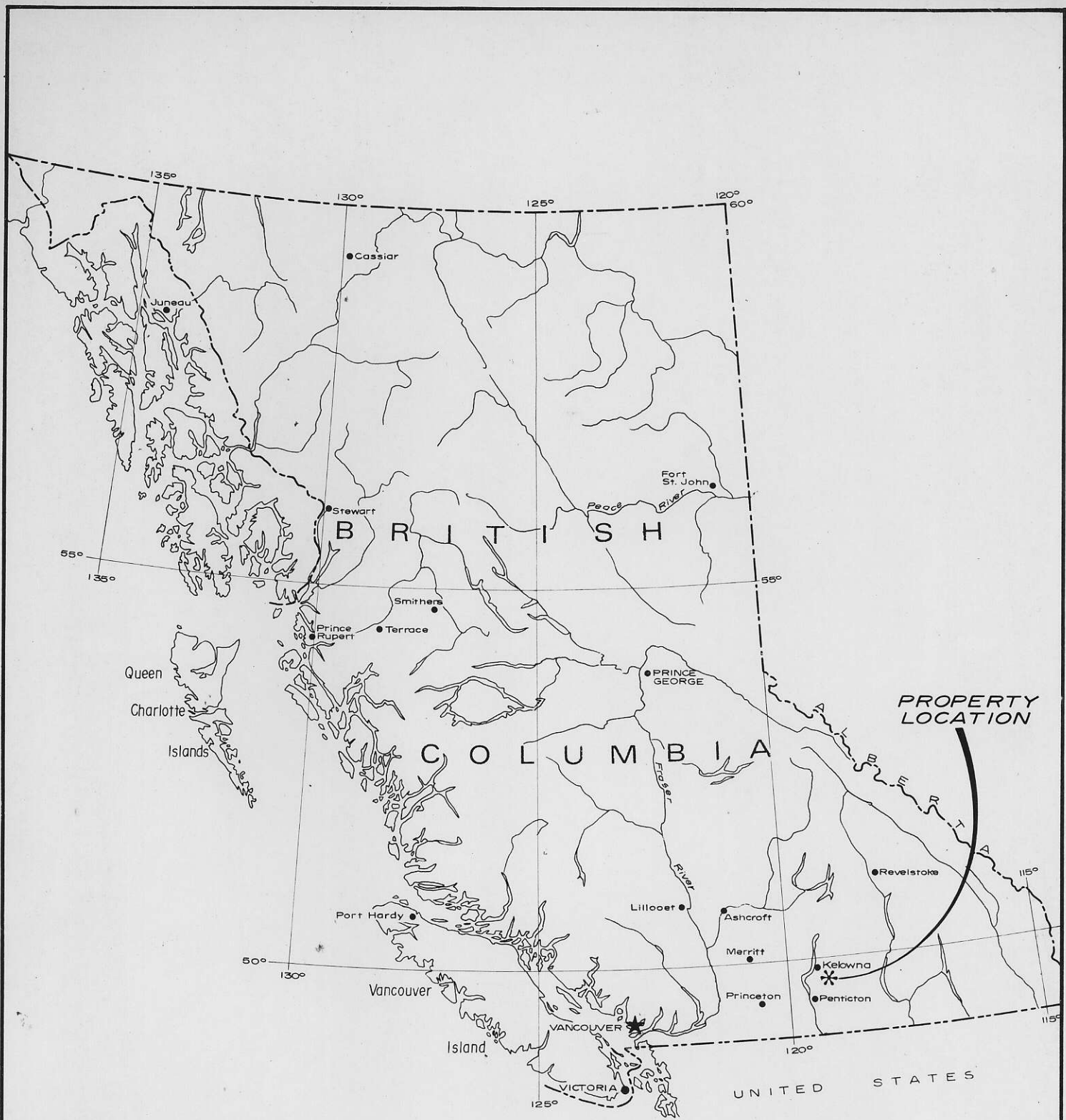
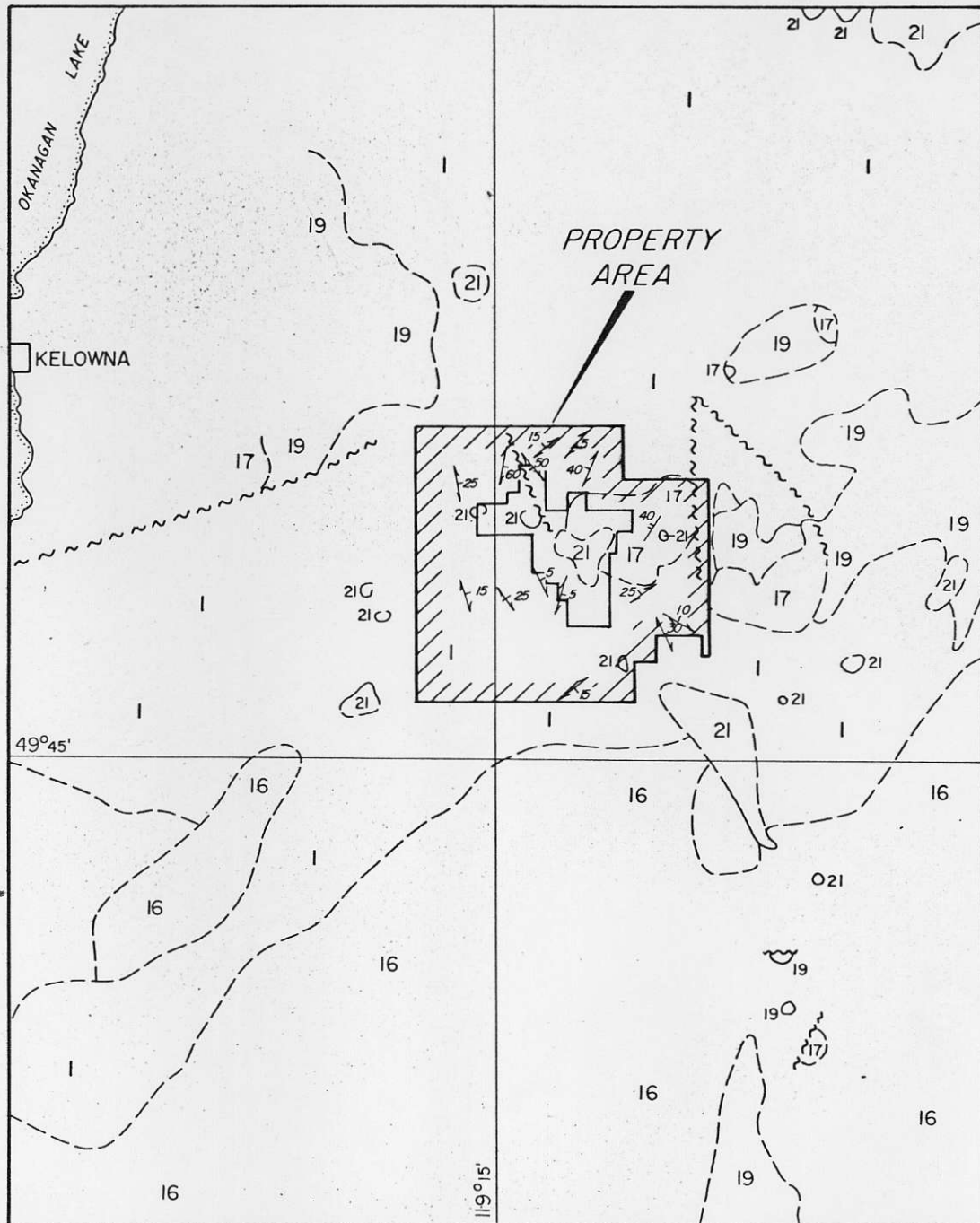


FIGURE 1.  
 TYEE LAKE RESOURCES LTD.  
 LOCATION MAP  
 HYDRAULIC CREEK AREA  
 McCULLOCH, B.C.







TERTIARY MIOCENE ?

21 Plateau basalt, minor olivine basalt

EOCENE OR OLIGOCENE

19 Andesite, trachyte, minor basalt; locally, interbedded tuff and shale

PALEOCENE OR EOCENE

17 Conglomerate, sandstone shale, tuff

CRETACEOUS (?)

16 Valhalla Plutonic Rocks, granite, granodiorite

MONASHEE GROUP

1 Layered gneiss, minor schist, amphibolite Quartzite.

Geological contact, defined, assumed

Bedding inclined

Gneissosity, inclined

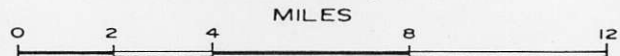
FIGURE 3

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REGIONAL GEOLOGY

HYDRAULIC CREEK AREA

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## CONCLUSIONS

Tyee Lake Resources Ltd. has acquired 320 mineral claims in the Hydraulic Lake area about 14 air miles east of Kelowna in southern British Columbia. Part of these claims completely surrounds a group of claims owned by Nissho-Iwai Canada Ltd. and the remainder are situated between this property and another Nissho group to the south.

Sufficient information is given in the British Columbia Provincial Government assessment reports filed by the Power Reactor & Fuel Development Corporation - Japan (who acted as agent for Nissho-Iwai) to establish the presence of significant quantities of uranium on both of the Nissho claim groups.

This mineralization is reported by the British Columbia Department of Mines to consist largely of secondary uranium minerals (autunite) occurring in flat-lying unconsolidated conglomerate and sandstone beds which form the lower part of what has been termed the Plateau Basalt formation. This is summarized later in this report, but it can be noted here by way of reference that Hole No. 10 cut 3.0 metres (9.85 feet) of uranium mineralization grading 0.40%  $eU_3O_8$  in a flat-lying pebble conglomerate bed about 125' below the surface. This is the best intersection, but enough other intersections were obtained to establish an attractive pattern.

It would appear that correlation exists between this uranium mineralization and the Valhalla plutonic intrusions as a possible source, and that ancient stream valley positions controlled to some extent the subsequent deposition in the sediments.

Oxidation and weathering of uranium-bearing veins or pegmatites or low-grade disseminated uraninite in basement rocks (for example the Carmi molybdenum prospect) is quoted by the Department of Mines as a possible source for this secondary mineralization.



The available regional geological mapping by the Geological Survey of Canada is, of necessity, general in nature (see Figure 3). For example, several buried tongues and masses of Valhalla plutonic rocks are noted in the Nissho-Iwai diamond drilling logs, a considerable distance to the north of the contact area shown on the G.S.C. maps. Many hitherto undetected small plugs and extensions of the main stock no doubt exist on the Tyee Lake holdings. It is also not known whether the Valhalla intrusive contact dips under the Tyee property area.

Similarly, other sections of the "Plateau" conglomerate and sandstone beds could perhaps be found by detailed geological mapping, as could the ancient stream pattern be studied and explored.

Access is very favourable; an all-weather road leads through the centre of the property. Elevations are less than 4500 feet above sea level.

The present price of uranium (latest sales are reported to be in the \$35 to \$40 per lb. of  $U_3O_8$  range) and the ever increasing excess of demand over current supply intensifies the attractiveness today of exploration for this material.

The use of modern geochemical and geophysical methods (such as "Track Etch") can be cheaply and effectively applied as a follow-up to geological mapping and interpretation in the Hydraulic Lake area.

The Tyee Lake Resources Ltd. mineral claim properties in this area east of Kelowna in southern British Columbia, therefore, present, in our opinion, an attractive exploration target directed at the discovery of economic uranium mineralization .



RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the sum of \$30,700 be provided, as soon as may be arranged, to cover the costs of preliminary exploration work as detailed below:

Study of existing information and appraisal	\$1,000
Geological mapping - one geologist and one helper - salary and wages	6,000
Supplies and support field costs	1,500
Linecutting - 30 miles @ \$150 per line mile	4,500
Track Etch survey - 750 cup program - base price \$12,000 plus extra handling and contour mapping for second and third areas	12,900
Consulting advice re program - Terradex Corp., California	1,000
Evaluation of results and recommendations	<u>1,000</u>
	\$27,900
Plus contingencies @ 10%	<u>2,800</u>
	<u>\$30,700</u>

Respectfully submitted,

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### LOCATION, ACCESS AND TOPOGRAPHY

The Tye Lake Resources property is located at approximately  $49^{\circ}50'N$ ,  $119^{\circ}12'W$ , about 14 air miles east of Kelowna, B.C.

Highway #33, which leads east out of Rutland and Kelowna, passes through the property, then proceeds southerly 28 to 30 miles down the West Kettle River valley to Beaverdell and on to Rock Creek, B.C. This highway is partially paved and otherwise is a good gravel road. Travel time from Kelowna is approximately 30 minutes.

Elevations range from 3500' to 4300' above sea level. The weather is moderate; from two to four feet of settled snow can be expected during winter. Field work can usually commence in May.

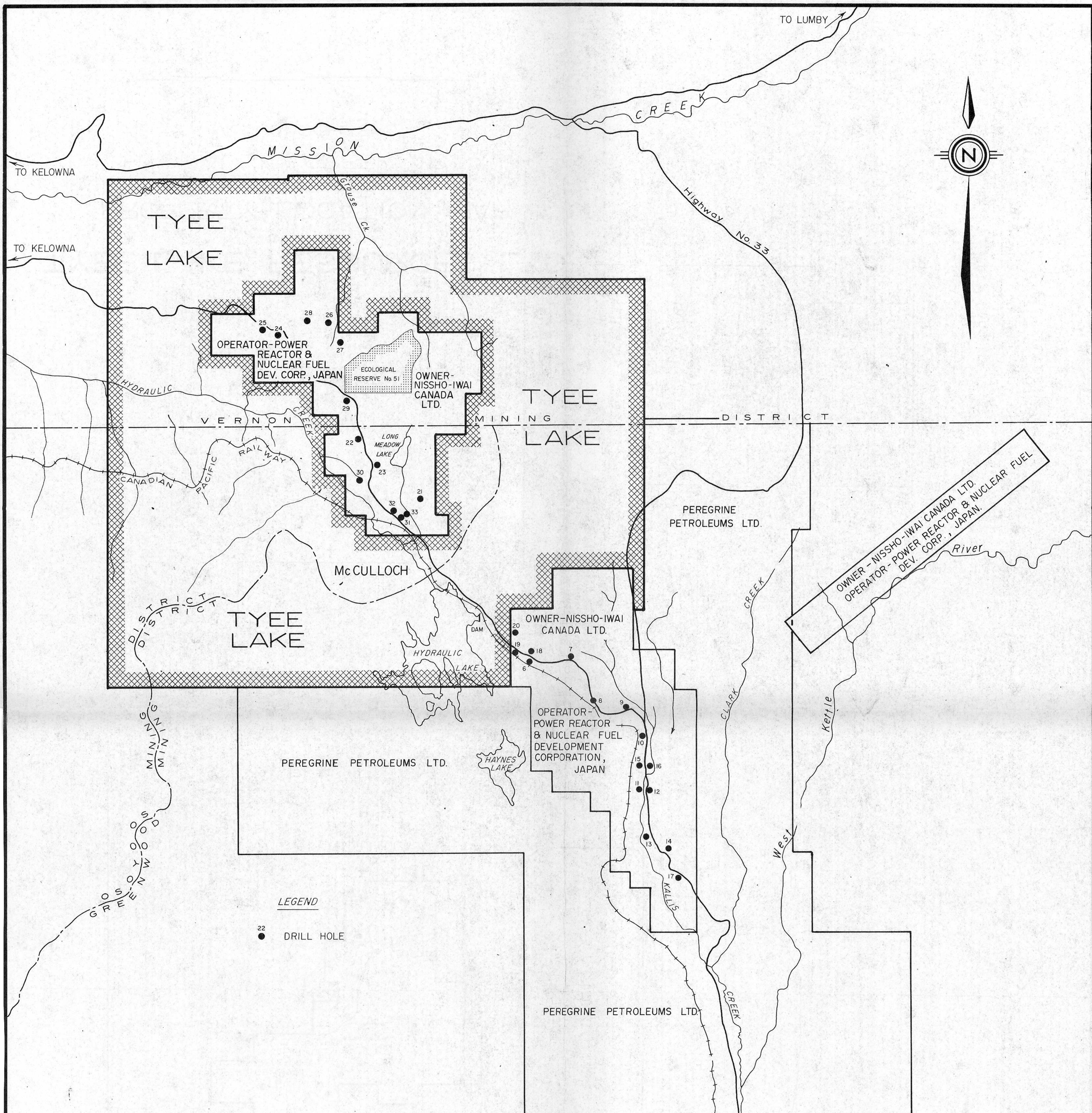
Overburden is extensive but is usually less than 10'-12' thick. Outcrops are plentiful so that reasonably accurate surface geological mapping can be completed. Some swampy areas exist, but these are not numerous.

PROPERTY

Tyee Lake Resources Ltd. has recently acquired 320 mineral claims almost surrounding, in between and adjacent to the properties owned by Nissho-Iwai Canada Ltd. in the Hydraulic Lake area, east of Kelowna, British Columbia. These claims are variously in the Vernon, Greenwood and Osoyoos Mining Divisions and are summarized in the following table. (See Figure 2)

<u>Kettle Group Nos.</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>	<u>Uranus Group Nos.</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>
1	20	1	20
2	8	2	15
3	4	3	14
4	2	4	20
5	20	5	10
6	20	6	20
7	10	7	8
8	6	8	20
9	20	9	4
10	12	10	16
11	18	11	12
		12	3
		13	<u>18</u>
<u>Totals</u>	140		180

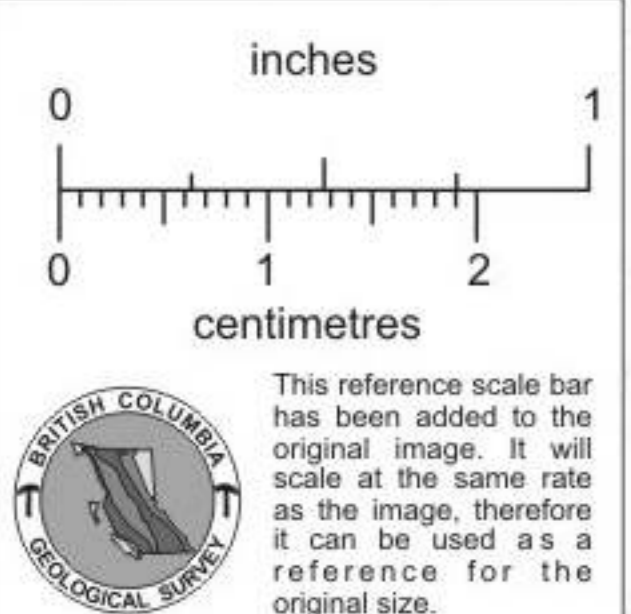




**LEGEND**  
 ● DRILL HOLE

FIGURE 2  
**TYEE LAKE RESOURCES LTD.**  
 PROPERTY LOCATION MAP  
 HYDRAULIC CREEK AREA  
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FEET 6000 3000 0 6000 12000 18000 FEET



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Note: Claim lines based on reliable information.



HISTORY

(a) GENERAL

A study of several assessment reports obtained recently from the Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Victoria, B.C., for the years 1972-73 and 1974 discloses that two main groups of claims (see Figure 2) had been staked in 1972 in the Hydraulic Lake area about 20 miles east of Kelowna, B.C. (owner - Nissho-Iwai Canada Ltd.)

During 1973-1974 geological mapping and diamond drilling consisting of 28 vertical holes totalling 5295 feet, was carried out by Power Reactor and Nuclear Fuel Development Corporation of Japan (hereinafter called 'Power Corporation - Japan'). This work continued in 1975.

Interesting radioactivity was discovered in flat-lying conglomerate and sandstone beds underneath Tertiary basalts. It is reported autunite (calcium uranium phosphate) was responsible.

It has also been reported that more extensive diamond drilling was completed in 1975 by the Power Corporation - Japan. It is believed encouraging results were encountered.

The 1973-1974 diamond drilling is summarized in the following table. The holes were logged and probed using a TCS-603R G.P. 27 (background 35 cpm) geiger counter made by Nippon Musen, Japan. Core size was BQ.

<u>Period</u>	<u>Mineral Claim Group</u>	<u>No. of Claims</u>	<u>No. of Holes</u>	<u>Total Feet Drilled</u>	<u>Assessment Report Number</u>
25 July - 21 Aug. 1973	Lane	30	4 (#7-10 incl.)	961	4629
	Cindy	30	4 (#11-14 incl.)	1001	4629
20 June - 21 June 1974 7 June - 30 June 1974	Lane	30	2 (#15+16 incl.)	269	5115
	Star	39	5 (#6 & 17-20 incl.)	823	5115
1 July - 10 Aug. 1974	Sun	40	8	1538	5090
	Moon	28	5	703	5090
<u>Total</u>			28	5295	

The background count for the geiger counter used to probe the core was recorded as being from 35 to 55 counts per minute.

Details are summarized as follows:

(b) MINERAL CLAIM GROUPS LANE AND CINDY (10 holes - #7-16 incl.)

Quoting from Power Corporation - Japan - September 1973 report

"Though there has been no radiometric anomaly clarified at the ground surface in the area, some radiometric anomalies were found, especially in No. 10 hole (13,000 cpm) (0.4% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>) was noteworthy."

The drill hole log for Hole No. 10 shows abnormal radioactivity from 34 metres (111 feet) to 37 metres (121 feet) or over a thickness of 3 metres (9.8 feet).

The intersection was in a flat pebble conglomerate bed lying underneath the Tertiary Kallis Creek basalt (Map Unit No. 21 - see Figure 3) and top of a 3.7 m thick (12.1 feet) tongue of the Valhalla intrusive rocks (Map Unit 16 - Cretaceous?).

The same conglomerate bed was intersected in seven of the other holes, namely #7, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 16, in thicknesses varying from 0.2 m (0.66 feet) in Hole #7 to 35.8 metres (117.5 feet) in Hole #14. Little or no radioactivity was found in the conglomerate in Holes #14 and 16, but in the remaining holes radioactivity varies from 50 cpm in Hole #8 to 250 cpm in Hole #15.

In five holes, Nos. 7, 8, 13, 14 and 16, a sandstone layer varying from 2.5 metres in Hole #16 to 17.7 metres in Hole #13 (8.2 ft. to 58.1 ft.) lies immediately above or within the conglomerate bed, while in Holes #9 and #12 no conglomerate was encountered but thin layers of sandstone were intersected. The sandstone is logged as "coaly" in Holes 7, 8 and 12. In Holes 7, 12 and 16, the sandstone showed 520 cpm, 615 cpm and 400 cpm respectively.

(c) MINERAL CLAIM GROUP STAR (5 holes - #6, & #16-20 incl.)

Quoting from Power Corporation - Japan - August 1974:

"There has been radiometric anomalous zones clarified on the Star group. Though the radioactivity was not so high, its distribution varied widely."

Little or no radioactivity is shown in the logs for Holes #6, 18 and 20, although a comment is made in the report that "Chemical assay is not done yet, but it is estimated at 0.01% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (Drill Hole BCP-20)."

Holes #19 and 20 intersected Monashee gneisses intruded by tongues of Valhalla granite and the radiactivity appears to be in pegmatitic phases of the granite. No significant radioactivity is shown in the conglomerate overlying the granite in Hole 19; Hole 20 was in granite and gneiss throughout its length.

Conglomerate and sandstone layers were intersected in all of the holes except #20. Radioactivity is reported from 150 cpm up to 300 cpm in sandstone in Hole #17 but no abnormal radioactivity is shown in the conglomerate intersections.

(d) MINERAL CLAIM GROUPS SUN AND MOON (13 holes - #21-33 incl.)

Quoting from Power Corporation - Japan - August 1974:

"Though there has been no radiometric anomaly clarified on the ground surface in the area, some radiometric anomalies were found in drill holes, especially in Hole BCP-31, which counts 1980 cpm (0.07% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>) at the highest.

These anomalies occur at the bottom of the Plateau Basalt Formation on the base of the Valhalla plutonic rocks. No anomaly was found on the base of the Kettle River formation."

The same general sequence of flat-lying volcanics and sediments over the Monashee basement gneisses was found, with the exception that in the northerly



part of the claim group, the Kettle River formation occurs underneath the conglomerate and sandstone layers, on top of the Valhalla intrusives or on top of the Monashee gneisses.

Extremely interesting radioactive zones were found in the lower sections of the conglomerate-sandstone formation (total thickness from 6.4 m or 21 feet to 73.2 m or 240 feet) under the basalt in Holes 21, 22, 30, 31 and 32. All of these holes are in the southern part of the claim group. These zones can be summarized as follows:

<u>Hole No.</u>	<u>Rock Type</u>	<u>Intersection (metres)</u>	<u>Thickness</u>		<u>CPM</u>
			<u>Metres</u>	<u>Feet</u>	
21	Conglomerate	3.5- 6.0	2.5	8.2	200
22	Conglomerate & sandstone (some 'coaly')	30.0-31.5	1.5	4.9	650
30	Conglomerate	38.0-39.0	1.0	3.3	500
31	Coarse sandstone	52.0-53.5	1.5	4.9	Up to 1100
	'Coaly' sandstone	61.5-62.8	1.3	4.3	Up to 1980
	Coarse sandstone & boulder conglomerate	69.8-74.4	4.6	15.1	Up to 1350 (average 800)
32	'Coaly' sandstone (medium) and conglomerate	53.0-62.0	9.0	29.5	Up to 600 (average 400)
	Conglomerate	67.0-70.0	3.0	9.8	Up to 900 (average 690)
	Boulder conglomerate & 'coaly' sandstone - fine	72.0-76.0	4.0	13.1	Up to 1200 (average 750)

It is noted, however, that in Holes #23 and 33, which are situated close to the holes quoted above, no significant radioactivity was discovered in the conglomerate-sandstone formations.



(e) TYEE LAKE RESOURCES LTD.

Tyee Lake Resources Ltd. has now acquired nearly all (if not all) of the more attractive surrounding ground. The "Sun" and "Moon" groups, on which the Power Corporation - Japan work was done, are completely enveloped and ground adjacent to the "Lane", "Cindy" and "Star" groups has been secured by Tyee.

GEOLOGY

GENERAL (See Figure 3)

All of the area under consideration is no doubt underlain by the Monashee Group (Map Unit #1) which is considered to be PreCambrian in age (H.W. Little). This group consists locally of layered gneiss (paragneiss) and biotite gneiss. Some minor schist is reported.

This Monashee group has been intruded by Cretaceous (?) Valhalla plutonic rocks (Map Unit #16) consisting mainly of biotite granite. Pegmatitic phases and aplite are noted at the contact areas.

It is noteworthy that radioactivity (up to twice background) has been detected in the pegmatitic zones; this was noted by the Power Corporation - Japan in the logs for Holes #19 and 20 drilled on the Star group immediately to the northwest of Hydraulic Lake.

This suggests that the Valhalla plutonics could have a greater than average uranium content.

In the northerly part of the "Sun" and "Moon" groups, rocks belonging to the Kettle River formation have been logged by the Power Corporation - Japan

as resting unconformably on top of the Monashee Group. The Kettle River rocks consist of acidic tuff, tuffaceous sandstone and conglomerate. It is assumed this corresponds to Map Unit #17 (Paleocene or Eocene). This formation was not encountered by the diamond drilling south of the north end of Hydraulic Lake, nor have outcrops been mapped as such for about 10 miles southerly.

No significant radioactivity was found in the Kettle River formation by the Power Corporation - Japan diamond drilling.

Overlying all of these rocks mentioned is the Plateau Basalt formation (Map Unit #21).

This can be divided into two parts. The lower section consists of 'coaly' sandstone, sandstone and conglomerate. The upper part is olivine-basalt lava in which numerous gas cavities exist ("Kallis Creek" basalt).

The average thickness of both sections is quoted as being about 160 feet; it is not believed the lower part outcrops in the area, except in isolated locations, but it no doubt exists as an extensive buried layer.

A second type of intrusive, Oligocene in age, designated as Coryell granite, is shown on the Power Corporation - Japan surface mapping. Outcrop areas are small, however, in comparison to the Valhalla stock shown, and appear almost to be dykes.

Mention is made of Cache Creek group rocks as being closely associated with the Monashee group. It is believed this is also local in nature.

### MINERALIZATION

The Victoria, B.C., Department of Mines, in their publications, mention that a possible source for the radioactive minerals (largely autunite) would be the oxidation and weathering of uranium-bearing veins or pegmatites or low-grade disseminated uraninite in basement rocks.

The most significant uranium mineralization to date has been found in the coarse and/or 'coaly' sandstones. Second in importance are the boulder conglomerate occurrences. These two groups of sediments form the lower section of Map Unit #21 and probably grade in and out of each other. They are always adjacent but reverse upper and lower position in the drill holes and occur between each other.

The presence of radioactive minerals also appears to be directly related to the Valhalla intrusives. It can be postulated that these intrusives formed the source and the uranium minerals migrated into the favourable sediments, then were redeposited, aided by the presence of carbon as in the 'coaly' sandstones.

This can be compared with the origin of the Dawn Uranium Mine deposits on the Spokane Indian Reservation northeast of Spokane. Here the Loon Lake porphyritic quartz monzonite stock (Cretaceous in age?) has been shown to possess an unusually high uranium content.

The uraninite orebodies, grading approximately 0.18%  $U_3O_8$ , occurred as masses and layers in the adjacent sheared and rusty argillites (Purcell in age) where embayments in the Loon Lake granite existed. Weathering and oxidation converted the upper parts of the mineralization to autunite, a calcium uranium phosphate.



The control that the old stream channels in the Monashee formation may have on the concentration of uranium mineralization is mentioned in the Power Corporation - Japan reports. It is interesting to note that their best uranium mineralization occurred along lines parallel to the present Hydraulic Creek valley; this valley may reflect the position of an ancient underlying valley, as may also the many streams (and tributaries, some of which enter the Hydraulic River) on the Tyee Lake Resources property.



CERTIFICATE

I, John James Crowhurst, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

1. I am a practising mining engineer with Bacon & Crowhurst Ltd.,  
1720 - 1055 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C.
2. I am a graduate of the University of British Columbia and have been granted  
the degree of Bachelor of Applied Science.
3. I have been practising my profession as a mining engineer for 35 years.
4. I am a member of the Association of Professional Engineers of British  
Columbia, Registration No. 2120.
5. I was the General Manager of the Newmont Mining Corporation  
Dawn Uranium property, situated on the Spokane Indian Reserve, Ford,  
Washington, during 1958 and 1959.
6. I nor any member of my firm have directly or indirectly received or expect  
to receive any interest direct or indirect in the property or securities of  
Tye Lake Resources Ltd.

J.J. Crowhurst, B.A.Sc., P.Eng.

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